

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER MICHAEL D. ANTONOVICH

MAY 8, 2007

**EDF FUNDS – HOUSING AUTHORITY**

The Housing Authority of the County of Los Angeles (Housing Authority) administers the Housing Choice Voucher (Section 8) Program within the Cities of Lancaster and Palmdale (Cities), which includes monitoring and investigating participating landlords and tenants to ensure compliance with federal regulations and Housing Authority guidelines.

For approximately three years, the Housing Authority, the County, and the Cities have provided funding to increase the level of investigative services within the Cities for the Section 8 program. At this time, the allocation of a maximum of \$356,790, in funding from the County and the Cities, will serve to strengthen existing efforts to reduce Section 8 program crime and fraud within the Cities. This matter will be presented to the Housing Commission for concurrence at its next meeting.

**I, THEREFORE, MOVE** that the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority:

1. Find that the acceptance and allocation of additional funding from the County to support the Section 8 program within both the City of Lancaster and the City of Palmdale are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), because the actions do not have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment;
2. Authorize the Executive Director to receive Economic Development Funds (EDF) funds allocated to the Fifth Supervisorial District, not to exceed \$178,395, to fund continued Section 8 investigative services in the Cities of Lancaster and Palmdale;

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3. Authorize the Executive Director to incorporate EDF funds, not to exceed \$20,055 for the City of Lancaster, into the Housing Authority's approved 2006-2007 Fiscal Year budget; and authorize the Executive Director to request, through the 2007-2008 Fiscal Year budget approval process, incorporation of EDF funds not to exceed \$116,340 for the City of Lancaster and \$42,000 for the City of Palmdale, for the purposes described above;
4. Authorize the Executive Director to incorporate a maximum of \$20,055 from the City of Lancaster into the Housing Authority's approved 2006-2007 Fiscal Year budget; and authorize the Executive Director to request through the 2007-2008 Fiscal Year budget approval process, incorporation of funds not exceeding \$116,340 from the City of Lancaster and \$42,000 from the City of Palmdale, for the purposes described above; and
5. Authorize the Executive Director to execute Memoranda of Understanding (MOU's) with the Cities, and any necessary administrative amendments thereto, following approval as to form by County Counsel, and to take all necessary administrative actions to implement the MOU's, for the purposes described above.

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